

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed 12/27/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-4 and 6-20.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 09-21-05
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

Response to Amendment

The amendment filed on 12/27/05 is sufficient to overcome the prior art reference.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Amended claims 6, 7, 9, 11 and 13 are allowable because the prior art of record fails to disclose or teach or suggest the surface of the coolant line guide enclosure proximal to the housed cryogenic apparatus conforms generally to the profile of the proximal surface of the cryogenic apparatus housing (see claim 6); a coolant line guide enclosure enclosing at least in part a coolant line pathway from the coolant compressor/chillers to at least one element of cryogenic apparatus embedded in part in the cryogenic apparatus housing, wherein the coolant line enclosure is insulated (see claim 7); a coolant line guide enclosure enclosing at least in part a coolant line pathway from the coolant compressor/chillers to at least one element of cryogenic apparatus embedded in part in the cryogenic apparatus housing, wherein the coolant line guide enclosure is mated to the cabinet by a flanged clearance hole (see claim 9); a coolant line guide enclosure enclosing at least in part a coolant line pathway from the coolant compressor/chillers to at least one element of cryogenic apparatus embedded in part in the cryogenic apparatus housing, wherein a coolant line exit from the coolant line guide enclosure at the end thereof distal to the cabinet comprises a multiplicity of individual close fitted holes, each of which provides a stable, low-leakage passage for a single coolant line (see claim 11); a coolant line guide enclosure enclosing at least in part a coolant line pathway from the coolant compressor/chillers to at least one element of cryogenic apparatus embedded in part in the cryogenic apparatus housing, wherein the coolant line guide enclosure entirely surrounds the coolant lines and any element of the housed cryogenic apparatus not

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located within the housing of the housed cryogenic apparatus (see claim 13). Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mohammad M. Ali whose telephone number is (571) 272-4806. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cheryl Tyler can be reached on (571) 272-4834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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